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ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Prior Application: 08/783,869

Art Unit: 2731

Examiner: K. Yao

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SIR: This is a request for filing a

☒ Continuation ☐ Continuation-in-Part ☐ Divisional Application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) of pending prior application Serial No. 08/783,869 filed January 16, 1997 of Donald R. ELLIS et al. for SELF-HEALING LINK SWITCHED RING FOR ATM TRAFFIC.

1. ☒ Enclosed is a complete copy of the prior application including the Declaration and drawings, as originally filed. I hereby verify that the attached papers are a true copy of prior application Serial No. 08/783,869 as originally filed on January 16, 1997.
2. ☐ Enclosed is a substitute specification under 37 C.F.R. § 1.125.
3. ☒ Cancel Claims 13-16, 19, 20, and 22.
4. ☐ A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
5. ☒ The filing fee is calculated on the basis of the claims existing in the prior application as amended at 3 and 4 above.

Basic Application Filing Fee					\$760	\$ 760.00
	Number of Claims		Basic	Extra Claims		
Total Claims	18	-	20	0	x \$18	
Independent Claims	4	-	3	1	x \$78	78.00
[ ] Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim(s)					+\$260	
					Subtotal	\$ 838.00
					Reduction by 1/2 if small entity	-
					TOTAL APPLICATION FILING FEE	\$ 838.00

6. ☒ A check in the amount of \$ 838.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.
7. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required including fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and any other fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, or credit any overpayment during the pendency of this application to Deposit Account No. 06-0916.
8. ☒ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line, the sentence:  
  
--This is a ☒ continuation ☐ division of application Serial No. 08/783,869, filed January 16, 1997 --which is incorporated herein by reference.
9. ☐ New formal drawings are enclosed.
10. ☐ The prior application is assigned of record to: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.
11. ☐ Priority of application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_, filed on \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ (country) is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119. A certified copy  
  
☐ is enclosed or ☐ is on file in the prior application.
12. ☐ A verified statement claiming small entity status  
  
☐ is enclosed or ☐ is on file in the prior application.
13. ☒ The power of attorney in the prior application is to at least one of the following: FINNEGAN, HENDERSON, FARABOW, GARRETT & DUNNER, L.L.P., Douglas B. Henderson, Reg. No. 20,291; Ford F. Farabow, Jr., Reg. No. 20,630; Arthur S. Garrett, Reg. No. 20,338; Donald R. Dunner, Reg. No. 19,073; Brian G. Brunsvold, Reg. No. 22,593; Tipton D. Jennings, IV, Reg. No. 20,645; Jerry D. Voight, Reg. No. 23,020; Laurence R. Hefter, Reg. No. 20,827; Kenneth E. Payne, Reg. No. 23,098; Herbert H. Mintz, Reg. No. 26,691; C. Larry O'Rourke, Reg. No. 26,014; Albert J. Santorelli, Reg. No. 22,610; Michael C. Elmer, Reg. No. 25,857; Richard H. Smith, Reg. No. 20,609; Stephen L. Peterson, Reg. No. 26,325; John M. Romary, Reg. No. 26,331; Bruce C. Zotter, Reg. No. 27,680; Dennis P. O'Reilly, Reg. No. 27,932; Allen M. Sokal, Reg. No. 26,695; Robert D. Bajefsky, Reg. No. 25,387; Richard L. Stroup, Reg. No. 28,478; David W. Hill, Reg. No. 28,220; Thomas L. Irving, Reg. No. 28,619; Charles E. Lipsey, Reg. No. 28,165; Thomas W. Winland, Reg. No. 27,605; Basil J. Lewris, Reg. No. 28,818; Martin I. Fuchs, Reg. No. 28,508; E. Robert Yoches, Reg.

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14. ☒ The power appears in the original declaration of the prior application.
15. ☐ Since the power does not appear in the original declaration, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.
16. ☒ Please address all correspondence to FINNEGAN, HENDERSON, FARABOW, GARRETT and DUNNER, L.L.P., 1300 I Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20005-3315.
17. ☐ Recognize as associate attorney \_\_\_\_\_  

(name, address & Reg. No.)
18. ☐ Also enclosed is \_\_\_\_\_

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION.** If any extension of time is necessary for the filing of this application, including any extension in the parent application, serial no. 08/783,869, filed January 16, 1997, for the purpose of maintaining copendency between the parent application and this application, and such extension has not otherwise been requested,

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**By:**

*E. B. M.*

Reg. No.: 30,120

Date: December 20, 1999